To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am signing Assembly Bill 164 with the understanding that more work can be done in this area of principal training.

This proposal expands the activities for high school principal training under California's current program, which is strongly linked to the state's academic content standards and curricula. The ever increasing challenge of ensuring all students an opportunity for future success in workforce and/or postsecondary settings makes it incumbent on the state to focus more critically on the full range of responsibilities of leaders to prepare high school students for the complexities of the 21st century.

Therefore, I am calling on the Secretary of Education, in collaboration with the State Board of Education and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, to develop a proposal addressing instructional leadership, as well as the visionary and practical leadership that will be required to guide our diverse student population toward greater success.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger